



# Pytchley CE Primary School

## Religious Education Curriculum Intent

During their journey through Pytchley CE Primary School, children will learn about Christianity and a variety of world religions through well planned and well taught lessons that allow them to explore different religions and cultures. We believe that the teaching of RE will create well rounded individuals who have a good understanding of Christianity and other faiths and cultures represented within our local community.

As part of the Peterborough Diocese Education Trust, we strive to follow the principal aim of RE set out in the syllabus which is “to enable pupils to hold balanced and informed conversations about religion and belief”.

The new syllabus allows us to teach our pupils’:

- To know about and understand Christianity as a diverse global living faith through the exploration of core beliefs and engaging with biblical text.
- To develop their knowledge and understanding of a range of religions and worldviews.
- To engage with challenging questions, discussions and debates raised by their learning.
- To recognise the concept of religion and its continuing influence on the world in which we live.
- To explore their own religious, spiritual, and philosophical opinions and beliefs in a safe and accepting environment.

(Aims and purposes of Religious Education in the Church school: Diocesan Syllabus for Religious Education in the Diocese of Peterborough)

Religious Education plays a significant role for the development of pupils’ spiritual, moral, social, and cultural needs. It promotes respect and open-mindedness towards others with different faiths and beliefs and encourages pupils to develop their sense of identity and belonging through self-awareness and reflection. The RE curriculum at Pytchley CE Primary School is designed to prepare our Pupils for the wide variety of people they may encounter in their lives and as such reflects the Religious Groups found within Northamptonshire.